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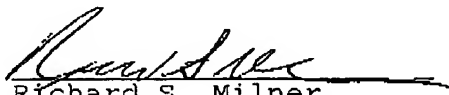
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SIR:

COMMUNICATION SUBMITTING
STATEMENT CONCERNING COMMON OWNERSHIP

This Communication is being submitted in accordance with telephone conferences with Examiner Lin on November 15, 2007 and December 6, 2007. Accordingly, this Communication is being submitted timely.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are presently being examined.

In the telephone conferences with Examiner Lin, the Examiner stated that a Statement of common ownership was required to overcome a provisional rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(c). Applicants agreed to submit such a Statement after confirming the facts underlying the Statement.

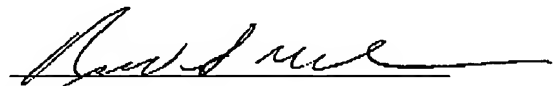
Accordingly, applicants now attach a Statement Concerning Common Ownership stating that U.S. Patent Application No. 10/574,414 was commonly owned with the subject application at the time the invention of claims 1-17 was made.

In view of the submission of the Statement, applicants respectfully submit that this application now is in condition for allowance, and earnestly solicit a Notice Of Allowance.

If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with this Statement. However, if any such fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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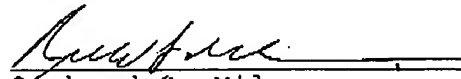
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S I R:

I, the undersigned attorney of record in the above-identified application, hereby state that the above-identified application and the "reference" application No. 10/574,414 were, at the time the invention of claims 1-17 of the above-identified application was made, owned by, or subject to an obligation of assignment to, Novelis Inc.

Respectfully,


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